



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

13 March 2018

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 19 February 2018, an informal meeting of the General Assembly was convened on 5 March 2018 to hear a briefing from the Secretary-General on his report on "Peacebuilding and Sustaining Peace" contained in document A/72/707- S/2018/43.

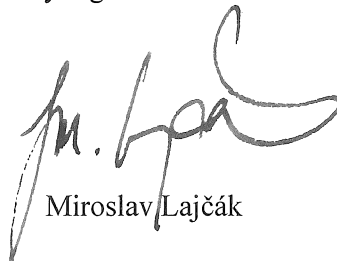
Following consultations with Member States, I have decided to appoint H.E. Ms. Audra Plepytė, Permanent Representative of the Republic Lithuania and H.E. Mr. Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of Bangladesh as co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations on a draft resolution to be adopted by the General Assembly during the High-level Meeting on Peacebuilding and Sustaining Peace on 24-25 April.

I have taken note of the views expressed in the informal meeting of the General Assembly on 5 March that the draft resolution should be concise and procedural in nature. I coincide with the Secretary-General's assessment in the report that "sustaining peace is first and foremost a responsibility of Member States." Therefore, I am committed to ensure that this process is inclusive, transparent and Member States-driven.

Given the short time available, I urge all delegations to work towards reaching agreement in the most efficient manner possible.

I would like to thank Ambassadors Plepytė and Momen for having accepted this very important responsibility and I trust you will extend your full support to them. I also encourage all delegations to continue to engage in the spirit of flexibility and cooperation over the coming days.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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